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PATENT APPLICATION

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 08/309 868

Filing Date: September 21, 1994

Confirmation No.: 6704

Title: .PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT OF  
AQUEOUS ORGANIC WASTES

Inventors: Hidenari YASUI and Masahide SHIBATA

Group: 1794

Examiner: Becker

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following customer number:

**23474**FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.  
(FIRM)

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114
  - a. ☒ An amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on November 29, 2007 was not entered. Please enter before calculating the filing fee.
  - b. ☒ Enclosed is/are:
    - i. ☐ Amendment/Response (please enter before calculating the filing fee)
    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☒ Acknowledgment Post Card
    - v. ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ Statement(s) re small entity is/are enclosed.

b. ☐ \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR \$1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR \$1.114 when the RCE is filed).

- a. ☒ The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

For	No. Filed	No. Extra	(X) LG Entity	RATE	( ) SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee				\$810.00	\$405.00	\$810.00
Total Claims	(8 - 20 = 0)		x \$ 50.00		x \$ 25.00	
Indep. Claims	(2 - 3 = 0)		X 210.00		x \$105.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dep. Claim			+ \$370.00		+ \$185.00	
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$ 810.00

- b. ☒ Pursuant to 37 CFR \$1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by one month. The extension fee is:  
☒ \$120.00 (37 CFR \$1.17)  
☐ \$ (37 CFR \$1.17; small entity status established by verified statement(s) submitted previously).
- c. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR \$1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months). Suspension of action fee is \$\_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR \$1.17(i)).
- d. ☒ A check for \$930.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- e. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- f. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 CFR \$1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The undersigned is: ☒ an attorney of record  
☐ acting under 37 CFR §1.34.

Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at  
telephone number (269) 381-1156.

Respectfully submitted,


FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

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Encl: Listed above

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**EXPRESS MAILING CERTIFICATE**

Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

By: Carrie Ash

Date: December 27, 2007

Documents attached: RCE Application  
Transmittal dated December 27, 2007  
including enclosures listed thereon

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